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SAM MARMS,
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Hongkong, 4th January, 1897. [62]

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report from the Committee and to take any
action thereon that may be deemed fit by the
Meeting.H. S. COOKE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1897. [93]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1897. [94]

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Colony or from our authorised Agents at the
Coast Ports.A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1896. [6]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1897.

THE CRISIS IN INDIA.

What is to become of Bombay? Every-
thing seems to be going from bad to
worse in that far-famed Indian city owing
to the lack of prompt and efficient mea-
sures to combat the plague. The Indian
mail to-day brought very gloomy accounts
of the ravages of famine and pestilence in
the North-West Provinces and especially
in Bombay, and private telegraphic
advices received here yesterday and to-day
are to the effect that the plague epidemic
has assumed very alarming proportions;
the citizens are panic stricken and up-
wards of 350,000 out of a total population
of 840,000 have fled from the city, and the
stampede still continues because the death-
roll indicates that the mortality among all
classes of the community is greater than
ever before. Is this state of affairs to be
wondered at? We think not, for we find
a letter in a recent issue of the *Times* of
India protesting against a system of
sanitation which it is claimed, and rightly
claimed, is opposed to reason and com-
mon sense. Difficult as it may be to
believe such folly possible, yet it is a fact
that during the epidemic hundreds of the
victims of this terribly fatal disease have
been buried in the heart of the city of
Bombay and are still being buried there,
and the correspondent of the *Times* of
India therefore asks whether the people of
Bombay are not certain to reap a plague
seed in their midst? We are sadly afraid
that Bombay is now reaping a very rich
harvest from the deliberate sowing of
what the correspondent aptly styles
"plague seed," and that the end of the
crisis is yet a great way off, as anyone
who remembers our bitter experience
here in 1894, and the drastic measures so
successfully applied to suppress the epidemic,
can well believe when assured by the
Times of India that the victims of the
plague are actually being buried in the
heart of the city of Bombay. What mad-
ness! What suicidal folly! Think what
the inevitable result would have been of
burying hundreds of victims of the plague
in the heart of the city of Victoria in 1894!
Think, too, of the short-sightedness, the
well-known criminal folly of the Health
Officers of the port of Bombay, who con-
tinued such a violation of the most
elementary principles of sanitary science,
knowing that in respect to at least one of
the burying grounds it is surrounded by
tenements densely packed with human
beings, and that the so-called cemetery is
so small and so full of graves that

"bodies are buried upon bodies in
heaps!" If such a mode of dispos-
ing of the dead be permitted much
longer, not only will it be in the highest
degree discreditable to the Government of
India, but, in view of the imminent risk of
the pestilence spreading westward—it has
already reached Kurrachee.—Government
will only have itself to blame if a hue and
cry is raised in Europe that will make for
complications of a nature which it should
be our earnest endeavour to avoid by
every means in our power.

We are afraid this rapid spread of
the plague in India, this enormous
exodus of citizens, this shocking crisis,
is but another exemplification of the
truth of the adage "too many cooks
spoil the broth." It has been painfully
evident from the first that there is lack-
ing in Bombay a "strong man" armed
with the necessary authority to deal an
effective blow at the insidious foe within
its gates. Responsibility is divided and
what is everybody's business is, as usual,
no man's business. The result is before
us—upwards of 100 cases of plague daily,
appalling mortality, the once busy city
in great measure deserted, the value of
house property fallen to zero, the
Stock Exchange closed three days a
week, the outlook gloomy in the extreme!
We are sorry for Bombay. While we
wish the Municipality a happy issue out of
its serious difficulties we are bound to
confess that it seems like hoping against
hope, for present prospects cannot be
considered as favouring any hope of
improvement in the immediate future.
They are reaping that which they have
sown, and, in their blind conceit and
foolish reluctance to break asunder the
blighting bonds of red-tapeism, have failed
to take every possible advantage of the
terrible experiences of Hongkong in 1894.
It is to be feared that unless the Govern-
ment of India mends its ways speedily,
what with pestilence and famine rampant
throughout the land, and a discontented
people crying aloud for reforms that are
never conceded, however greatly needed,
dark days are in store for our Indian
Empire.

The situation unfortunately fur-
nishes cause for grave anxiety and we
should be guilty of failure in doing
our duty were we to burk the
truth at this critical period in the
history of the glorious heritage which has
been left to us by our ancestors, who fell
in the gallant struggles that resulted in
India being added to the appendages of
the British Crown. May it ever remain
the pride of our Rulers, the prosperous
home of upwards of two hundred mil-
lions of loyal and peace-loving people,
devoted alike to their homes and to the
beneficent Sovereign whose proud boast it
may rightly be that she rules over the
greatest, most powerful, most heteroge-
neous and most wealthy Empire the world
has yet known. But if this is to be so the
welfare of the masses must be considered
and, wherever necessary, laws should be
enforced having for their object the pro-
tection of the individual rather than the
fostering of the vested interests of certain
classes. It must be confessed, we fear,
that hitherto there has been a superabun-
dant of class legislation in India, and that
the protection of the masses has not
been given as much thought as past
experience indicates as being as desirable
as it is necessary in respect of all densely
populated states. It is for the strong arm
of the law to do for the people that which
they cannot do for themselves. Has it
invariably done so in India? We fear
not. The present crisis appears to indicate
that the blind confidence of the people has
been misplaced in great measure, that the
Executive has foolishly countenanced in
matters sanitary a policy of drift and
taken comfort unto itself in the assurance
that "sufficient unto the day is the evil
thereof." Would that it were possible to
think otherwise, but facts forbid it. Let
us hope that the Government of India
will not be slow to take warning from
the ripples on the surface which now show
how the depths are surging below.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

STRIKE OF MARINE ENGINEERS
IN AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, January 4th.

The Marine Engineers throughout Australia
struck work, the shipowners having refused to
accept Union rules (rates). One hundred
steamers are lying idle in the ports.

THE ROYAL HIGHER COMPANY'S
EXPEDITION.

An immediate advance of the Royal Niger
Company's expedition is expected. The objective
has not been divulged.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE *Bayern* will leave for Europe at 9 a.m. to-
morrow.

THE Portuguese gunboat *Diva* left for Macao this
morning.

A LARGE number of street obstructions were fixed
at the Magistracy to-day.

MR. HOWARD'S W. Y. Eleven was defeated
in the football match yesterday with the Hong-
kong Football Club by two goals to one.

CHAM HO LIT had his anchor to leave Yau-tei-
fai's prohibitory hours and has to swell the revenue
by \$25 or give six weeks' labour gratis.

FOR ANNUALING LEE PING LI PAI COOK was
swindled in \$500 four days and he has to pay \$25
compensation at "go up" for 10 days.

ON THE ARRIVAL of Singapore from Hongkong on
December 2nd it was stopped by the Customs and
found there being a case of smallpox on board.

In the football match Colts v. 35th Co., R.A.,
resulted this afternoon in a tie—one goal all.

THE residents of Kowloon will hold a public
meeting to-morrow evening to consider the ques-
tion of reopening the British (Kowloon) College.

CHIN NING hankered for a bottle of soda water
and he lifted one from the stock of Ng Min. His
thirst necessitates a conclusion of three days.

THE late Baron Hirsch's splendid mansion at the
corner of the Avenue Gabriel and the Rue de
Villiers, Paris, has been offered for sale for
£300,000.

THE binjackets from the Fleet landed for drill
at Happy Valley this morning to the number
of about 200. The Marines land for drill to-
morrow.

ILLICIT opium-holders figured strangely before
the bench to-day and suffered fines of from \$10
to \$25 with the usual alternatives for their
"godfulness."

A CHINAMAN was at the Magistracy to-day fined
\$10 or a month's "hard" for removing a dead
body without the permission of the Sanitary
Board's Secretary.

WE learn that, with the permission of the Com-
mandant, the Hongkong Volunteer Corps. danc-
ers will hold at the City Hall on Friday, the 9th
proximo, at 9 p.m.

THE "military music" is all right if only a few
more gambling raids like that of yesterday are
made. No less than 22 Chinese in one batch
were to-day fined \$7, the alternative being 25
days.

COMMANDER KELLY, of H.M.S. *Porpoise*, has
been promoted to the rank of Captain. Engineer
Wm. W. Whyman has been appointed to the
Immortal, and Probationary Assistant
Engineer H. Giles to the *Grafton*.

CHUNG YIN, an employe of Watkins & Co.,
embezzled \$316 received by him for the firm.
He owned up to it and Captain Hastings gave
him six months with incidental hard labour in
which to think over the error of his ways.

WE repeat to say that an Indian constable has
fallen from grace in the person of Joseph Ali,
who to-day received six weeks' hard labour
for stealing 50 cents worth of Government
leather. The office jolt says he did not know
where to hide it.

THE cup for light weight boxing to be presented
at the Skating Rink on Saturday night is the
gift of Inspector Quincey, and is as pretty a
piece as any amateur "dudekman" could wish
to grace his sideboard with after a well fought
and friendly "turn-up."

THE Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's race on
Sunday last ended in *Erica* and *Ladybird*
each scoring 10, *Sybil* and *Payne* 4, *Phaet*
and *Dart* 1. The total points won up to date
are—First class—*Erica* 25, *Sybil* 20, *Phaet*
15, *Maid Marion* 14, *Meteor* 1. Second class—
She 25, *Dart* 25, *Ladybird* 10, *Payne* 4, *Sun-
beam* 4, *Ellison* 2. In consequence of the
detailed report reaching us too late for to-day's
publication it will appear to-morrow.

THE Celestial race develops an incongruity
now and then and one of them in the person of
Lau Tim, aged 14, figured on the charge sheet at
Captain Hastings' levee to-day. He was charged
with stealing a pair of gold earrings from the
person of a married woman named Ho
Sim. Lau pleaded not guilty, but admitted three
previous convictions of the kind under as many
different names. He was ordered to be
imprisoned, with hard labour, for four months,
and to receive 12 strokes with the rattan on
admission and 12 more 14 days before discharge.
We expect to hear more of this enterprising
youth anon.

How the *Tsilyun* escaped from the fast and
furious *Yoshino* was thus explained by "Electric"
in the *North China Daily News* on the 27th
ultimo in a letter to the Editor:—

"In a Yokohama paper recently appeared an
article on the Japanese war vessel *Silyun*,
formerly the Chinese man-of-war *Singuen*,
captured at the fall of Weihaiwei. The news-
paper justly wonders how it was that the slow
Tsilyun managed to escape from the 22-knot
cruiser *Yoshino* at the Asan affair. We are all
aware that had the shells from the Chinese
vessels exploded, the *Yoshino* fleet would have
given a better account of itself. At Asan a shell
from the *Tsilyun* lodged itself in the *Yoshino*'s
engine room; a general stampede immediately
took place and for two hours the *Yoshino* lay at
the mercy of her adversary. Had the shell
exploded and had the commander of the *Tsilyun*
not proved such a coward, he could have sunk
the best vessel of the Japanese navy. This is
why the *Yoshino* did not capture the *Tsilyun* at
Asan."

THE following is the speech from the Throne
read at the opening of the Japanese Diet on
Christmas day:—"We hereby perform in person
this opening ceremony of the Imperial Diet.
We inform the members of the House of Peers
and of the House of Representatives that the
relations between Our Empire and the Treaty
Powers are more amicable than ever, and that
the work of revising the Treaty is about to be
commenced. National defence, being the
pivotal point of peace, we look to see them
perfected gradually, with due regard to the
adjustment of the national finances. The
condition of Our subjects in Formosa being a
matter that greatly concerns us, it is essential
that good order should be established there to
the full, and that the welfare and prosperity of
the island should be promoted. We have in-
structed Our Ministers of State to prepare and
present the Budget for the 30th fiscal year of
Meiji and other important projects of law, and
We expect that in the discharge of your im-
portant duties of State, you will consider your
functions as counsel and assist in the discharge
of such manner as to satisfy Our desires."

OUR old friends of the Rifle Brigade have been
defeated in a football match by the Singapore
Club by 1 goal to nil.

NOAM KIR, a shopkeeper, for embezzling \$18.65
and obtaining a valuable security by false
pretences, was to-day sent to goal for 42 days,
the hard labour being given in.

A COTTON spinning factory with a reported
capital of 600,000 Tls. is, says the *Shanghai
Mercury*, to be established at Chungchow, by
the compradors of Messrs. Taunmeyer & Co., and
a gentleman representing a Chinese syndicate.

CHAN TRUNG helps to swell our revenue by \$35
for having 10 gal. kerosene on his premises more
than the Act allows. Of course he needn't
pay 'if he likes, but if he don't like a big Sikh
will pass him inside the gates to stay for six
weeks. He should be patriotic and think of the
"Defence Contribution."

THE *Official Gazette* publishes a verdict of the
Tokio Marine Court, suspending the certificate
of Captain Somner for a month, for having
taken the *Satsuma-maru* away from Yokohama
on the 3rd February without waiting for the
safety-valves to be attended to properly. The
Chief Engineer was severely reprimanded.

THE Government of India, says a commercial
correspondent of a Calcutta journal, is feeling
the pressure of famine and dear money. This is
evidenced by the fact that the Secretary of State
wants time and will not grant telegraphic trans-
fers. It is the general opinion of well-informed
persons that India is in for a very tight time.

A CORRESPONDENT writing to the Shanghai
Chia Nam Pao from Peking states that it has
been fixed that the burial of the remains of Her
Highness the late Princess Chun will take
place on the 15th day of the 12th moon (24th
January, 1897); her mausoleum having been
made thoroughly fit for the reception of the
coffin.

THE rumour that Korea is going to pay off her
debt to Japan by borrowing money from Russia
may be true, says the *Yifu*. A representative of
the Russo-Chinese Bank was staying in Seoul,
and the rumour arose from that fact. There is
no doubt that the interest charged by Japan was
6 per cent, while the Russo-Chinese Bank will
advance money at 4½ per cent.

THE many friends in the Colony of Mr. Tatam,
who found Chinese opposition too much for him
and so closed the only European butchery in
Hongkong on 3rd instant, will be glad to hear
that he has been appointed Steward of the
Northern Pacific liner *Pelican*, which sailed for
Tacoma yesterday. We wish him the success
which a steady man of his experience as a butcher
and steward should attain in his new post.

A "TRUTH-COMPILING" machine would be a
great acquisition to every Police Court in the
Far East, remarks the only Sandakan news-
paper. Under the influence of a fairly powerful
Rumpleff coil, even a Chinese witness might be
reduced to comparative truthfulness. A threat
of doubling the current would have a wonderful
effect if the witnesses were found to be economiz-
ing the truth. RECEIPT: Order a dozen for
Hongkong Instantly!

THE *Times* of India says that something like a
revolution in one department of Bombay
industries has been produced by the discovery
of an indigenous coal capable of competing with
the hitherto unrivalled Cardiff. The question,
however, is, if the great lions can burn
Singapore coal, why cannot our cruisers also?
But if Singapore coal can be burned on our
warships—say, if warships can be fitted to burn
Singapore coal—it becomes a possibility to the
British fleet in the West and in the East to
operate in their respective areas even after
some accident may have temporarily deprived
England of the mystery of the intervening
seas.

THE St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Daily
Chronicle* telegraphed on Nov. 25th:—"A com-
mission of experts has been busy here making
experiments with the steam torpedo-boat *Py-
boga*, with the object of finding out the best kind
of fuel for torpedo-boats. The commission in
question has come to the conclusion that liquid
fuel possesses such advantages over coal that
all the torpedo-boats in the Russian fleet which
possess locomotive boilers should be so adapted
that they are useless, or, at least, at pleasure.
The torpedo-boats which possess tubular boilers
will, however, not be altered. These experi-
ments have been so satisfactory that it is
expected this new method of heating will soon
be also employed by the Russian cruisers."

STODDART's eleven will travel on to Western
Australia and play two matches if—well, if
they are paid \$1,000 for the show. Football
and Cricket are now more or less mere matters
of business, empty questions of money; but,
thanks to the gods, however few islands
and Olympia may have sunk, there still remains
our smaller sailing which Flaming has failed so
far to influence with his arduous aspirations.
There, sir, they say, many professionals of
cricket and at football who would willingly
exchange their wages for the receipts of the
amateurs with whom they play. There are two
deficiencies worthy of recording at the present
day:—

I. (Q.) What is a Professional Cricketer?
(A) A man who is paid £5 for playing in
a three days' cricket match.

II. (Q.) What is a Gentleman Cricketer?
(A) An individual who receives £10, no
involving expenses, in return for taking in a
game of cricket which may last three days.

TRAINING NOTES.

Although training for the Hongkong Races of
1897 has been going on in a desultory manner
since the beginning of November, the proceedings
until this morning have not been of sufficient
interest to call for special attention. The usual
routine of trotting and "sweating" has been
faithfully carried on without any important
incident occurring, meeting the attention
of the writer of these notes. To-day, how-
ever, there was a good gathering of sports in the
Enclosure and some smart "poring" was
accomplished, the excellent condition of the
course and the total absence of the North-
east monsoon favouring fast work. At the
time of writing I am a good deal in the dark, for
the entries for the 7th Meeting have not yet
reached me, so I am unable to give the names of
the griffins in training. Some of them have
yet to be christened, and I would therefore
suggest that if there are any very thin-skinned
owners this year they should exercise great
discretion in the selection of names for their
moles, for I shall be certain to make a "goak"
out of the funny names as soon as I have them
before me in cold type. Why not try *Alpha*
and *Omega*? If your representatives' perfor-
mances can't justify the name of *Alpha* you may
be pretty sure that they will at all events do full
justice to such a pretty name as *Omega*.

This morning all the "subs" were extended
over half a mile, some of them doing 3 and even
one mile. Mr. John Peel's ponies, with Mr.
Master in the pig-shin, and including the
high-priced iron grey (it is said he
cost Tls. 1100), were also out for a spin, the
"pow" of the swell grey being rather a
disappointment to the spectators, who naturally
expected him to "move" like the exquisite
machinery of an "Empress" liner. All the
subs went away with the exception of three
that I will draw attention to later, and it was un-
satisfactory to see them on the course in
such wretched condition. There would seem to
be some truth in the report that the Jockey
Club made a mistake in not continuing to
get their supply of griffins from the Horse
Bazaar as in former years. Almost without
exception the "subs" look as though they
have gone through a lot of hard training at
Shanghai to prepare them for satisfactory (i.e.
qualifying) trials before passing into the hands
of Hongkong owners. There seems reason for
believing that the Shanghai trials were
"forced" and that therefore the Shanghai
trains cannot be taken as reliable evidence of
what they can do. It is a fact, I believe, that in
former years the Horse Bazaar griffins were from
autumn and winter drafts and had only a few
weeks' trial, but the "subs" on the course now
look as though they had had tedious trials, some
of them possibly six or eight months of it. I
fancy that not more than a dozen of them are
from autumn drafts, though I can't speak with
any degree of assurance on the subject. But
whether this, no doubt plenty of fun will be got
out of most of them and the public will get a good
return for their money in the shape of well
contested races and some desperate finishes.

And now for the Derby candidates. There
are 23 nominations for this classic event and all
the candidates are here with the exception of one
or two that are due per *Parkus* in a
day or two. Most of the Derby ponies were on
the course this morning, but Mr. Mody's string
I missed and upon making inquiries found they
are in physic at present. It is probable, though,
that they will be "on deck" to-morrow morning.

The following particulars of the Derby candi-
dates should interest *Telegraph* readers:—
Jardine's iron grey, about 13.1, was bought at
public auction in the Shanghai Horse Bazaar.
There was keen competition for him between
Mr. Bell-Irving's representative and Mr. Jones
of the Shanghai Municipal Council, who was
bidding for Mr. Mody. The pony had previously
done a trial of 1½ mile in 32½; last 1½
mile 1:07½; last 1½ in 35 sec., carrying 12½
lbs. He did this time under adverse circum-
stances, for a strong N.W. wind, which blew his
speed coming down the straight. This pony
was, I understand, eventually bought by Mr.
Bell-Irving for Tls. 1,100 and he should carry
the popular "blue and silver" to victory in
some of the big events with comparative ease if
he comes to the post as fit as a fiddle. I believe
Tls. 1,100 is the highest price paid for a Derby
griffin at public auction, though it by no means
the tallest figure at which Derby candidates have
stood in the books of many owners in recent
times.

A grey pony, apparently about 12.1 or 12.2,
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Ports TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at
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DOUGLAS LAIRDALE & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1897. [59]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, VIA SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"TIENSIN,"
Captain Dawson, will be despatched as above
TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at 2 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1897. [87]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA,"
Captain Williams, will be despatched as above
ON FRIDAY, the 8th instant, at 4 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1897. [2010]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG,"
Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched as
above ON FRIDAY, the 8th instant, at 4 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1897. [188]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND
SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"HUPEH,"
Captain Quail, will be despatched as above on
SATURDAY, the 9th instant, at 2 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1897. [8009]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVI-
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"PAKING,"
H. L. Allen, Commander, will be despatched as
above ON THURSDAY, the 14th instant.For Freight, &c., apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1897. [170]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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THE Company's Steamship

"POLYPEZMUS,"
Captain Goodwin, will be despatched as above
ON FRIDAY, the 14th January, 1897.For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1896. [1977]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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(Under Mail Contract.)FOR THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE,
BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND
MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"YAMASHIRO MARU,"
Captain J. Jones, will be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 19th January, at
Noon.This Steamer is fitted with Superior Passenger
Accommodation and is lighted by Electricity
throughout. A day quota of 1 Doctor is carried.For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1896. [173]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE British Barque

"SUMBAYA,"
Reberg, Master, will leave for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1896. [164]

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. J. Iron 4-mast British Barque

"MATTERHORN,"
Captain J. Williams, will soon be ready to load
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.For Freight, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1640]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 415 L. I. American Barque

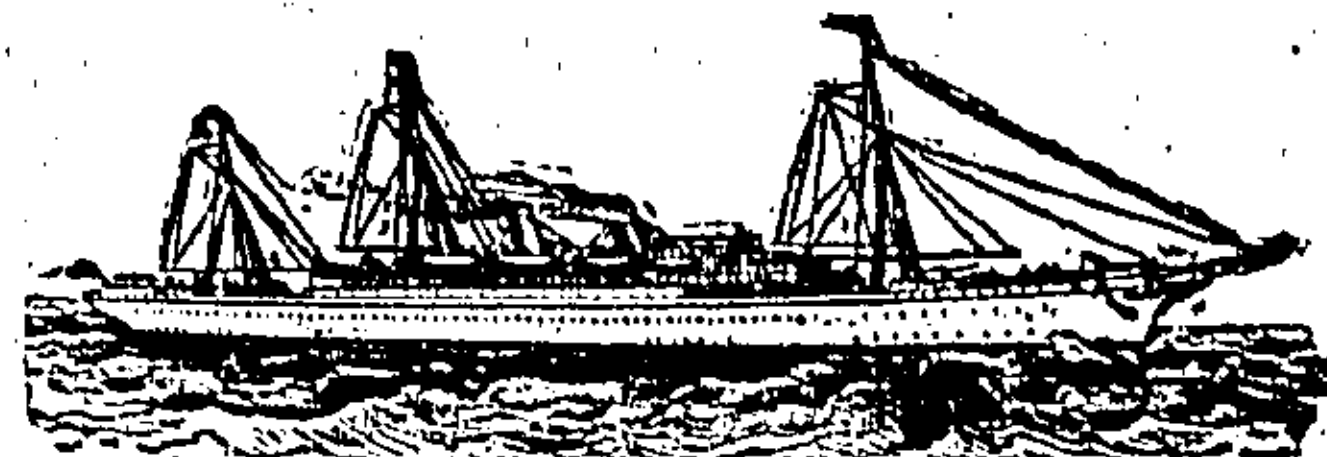
"PENOBSCOT,"
Captain M. B. B. will leave for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.For Freight, apply to
ARNOLD, KARRER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1896. [164]

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1897

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 17th February, '97

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 17th March.

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D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Paddis Street.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1896.

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CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE.THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Saturday, 16th Jan., at Noon, 1897.

Belge (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Thursday, 4th Feb., at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Tuesday, 23rd Feb., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"DORIC,"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND
SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on
SATURDAY, the 16th January, 1897, at Noon.Steamers of this line pass through the IN-
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu,
and passengers are allowed to break their
journey at any point en route.Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the
United States or Canada. Rates, and particu-
lars of the various Routes may be obtained
upon application.Special rates (First-class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European
Officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials and their families.Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embark-
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice
versa) within one year, will be allowed a dis-
count of 10 per cent. This allowance does not
apply to through fares for China and Japan
to Europe.All Parcel Packages should be marked to
address in full; and same will be received at
the Company's Office until 5 P.M. the day
previous to sailing.Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-
tined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,
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Hongkong, 29th December, 1896.F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
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HONGKONG, 1st Decr. 1896. [99]

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Thursday, 7th Jan., at Daylight, 1897.

Catalpa (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Tuesday, 26th Jan., at Noon.

Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Saturday, 13th Feb., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING,"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND
SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on
THURSDAY, the 7th January, 1897, at Daylight,
taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the
United States, and Mexico.Steamers of this line pass through the IN-
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu,
and passengers are allowed to break their
journey at any point en route.Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the
United States or Canada. Rates may be
obtained upon application.Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND
CITIES in the United States have, between
SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option
of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL
PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO
GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAIL-
WAYS, also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL-
WAY, on payment of 25¢ in addition to the
regular tariff rate.Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND
CITIES in the United States have, between
SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option
of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL
PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO
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GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAIL-
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regular tariff rate.Particulars of the various routes can be
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Diplomatic and Civil Service, to European
Officials in the service of China and Japan, and
to Government officials and their families.Through Bills of Lading, issued for trans-
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of the United States, via Overland Railways, to
Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports
in Mexico, Central and South America, by the
Company's and connecting Steamers.Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.
the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will
be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day.
All Parcel Packages should be marked to ad-
dress in full; value of same is required.Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-
tined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 7, Praya Central.J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1896.

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1897. [10]

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NOTICE.

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SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT,
BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
SOUTHAMPTON
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH
BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL
PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Bayern ... Thursday ... 7th Jan.

Prima ... Tuesday ... 2nd Feb.

Prima ... Tuesday ... 2nd March.

ON THURSDAY, the 7th day of January,
1897, at 4 A.M., the Company's Steamship
"BAVARIAN," Captain B. Blum, with PASSENGERS,
PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will
leave this Port as above, calling at Naples and
Genoa.Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on
SATURDAY, the 2nd Jan. Cargo and Specie
will be received on board until 2 P.M. on MONDAY
the 4th Jan., and Parcels will be received at
the Agency's Office until Noon on MONDAY, the
4th Jan. Contents of Packages are required. No
Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than
\$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet
Cubic in Measurement.The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1897. [1899]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PARISIAN GULF, COMORAT and
AMERICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"GANGES,"
Captain T. F. Cross, carrying Her Majesty's
Mails, will be despatched from this Port for
BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 14th January, at
Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above
Ports. This Steamer connects at Bombay with
the S.S. "Polaris" leaving that Port for
London direct on the 6th February.Silt and Vessels, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
via Bombay.Parcels will be received at this Office until
5 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills
of Lading.For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1896. [15]

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